



Computer Crimes

TRAINING FOR DEFENCE LAWYERS
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Key topics

- EU current and future legislative framework on cybercrime, Council of Europe Budapest Convention on Cybercrime
- E-evidence, its admissibility, access to it and handling in court and the defence's role in challenging such evidence

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Ramin Farinpour (ERA)

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14:40 Connecting to the videoconference platform

15:00 **Opening of the webinar**
Ramin Farinpour

I. CURRENT AND FUTURE EUROPEAN AND EU FRAMEWORKS TO COUNTER COMPUTER CRIMES

Chair: Ramin Farinpour

15:05 **Council of Europe cybercrime standards and EU standards on information systems, fraud and non-cash payments**

- Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) and its Second Additional Protocol
- Directive 2013/40/EU on attacks against information systems
- Directive (EU) 2019/713 on combating fraud and counterfeiting of non-cash means of payment
- Directive (EU) 2022/2555 on measures for a high common level of cybersecurity across the Union, EU Cybersecurity Act, EU Cyber Resilience Act and EU cybersecurity certification framework

Elena Lazar

15:45 Discussion

16:00 **EU standards to combat the sexual exploitation of children online, child pornography and violence against women and domestic violence**

- Directive 2011/93/EU on combatting the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children and child pornography and its proposed recast
- Regulation (EU) 2024/1307 amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1232 on a temporary derogation from certain provisions of Directive 2002/58/EC as regards the use of technologies by providers of number-independent interpersonal communications services for the processing of personal and other data for the purpose of combating online child sexual abuse
- Proposal for a Regulation laying down rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse
- Regulation (EU) 2022/2065 on a Single Market for Digital Services and amending Directive 2000/31/EC (Digital Services Act) and its provisions on the online protection of minors
- Directive (EU) 2024/1385 on combatting violence against women and domestic violence

Elena Lazar

16:45 Discussion

II. E-EVIDENCE

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17:00 **Online investigations and the challenges of dealing with electronic evidence in criminal proceedings and in court**

- Principles of dealing with electronic evidence
- Common procedures for recognising and handling evidence on digital devices
- International investigations (search and seizure – obtaining evidence from the internet, admissibility)
- Collection of evidence located abroad and the challenges of cross-border access to data
- The importance of the chain of custody in handling evidence
- Trial considerations: methods of presentation and admissibility tests

Ciprian Băban

17:45 Discussion

18:00 End of the webinar

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This three-hour long webinar, which forms a part of a larger project on European Criminal Law for Defence Lawyers, focuses on computer crimes and practical matters in applying measures to counter it.

It will explain and take a look at the current and future EU legislative framework, the Council of Europe's Budapest Convention on Cybercrime, and provide an analysis of the various forms of cybercrime. Using e-evidence to counter cybercrime will be explained and, within this context, its admissibility, access to it and handling in court and the defence's role in challenging such evidence. Insights from practitioners familiar with these instruments will be shared.

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